



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 2802

**1. Project Title**

**2. Senate Sponsor**

**3. Date of Request**

**4. Project/Program Description**

The funds being requested will allow USF to reconfigure existing, outdated individual bio-science research labs into modern, shared-space open labs to expand the capacity of the building to support high impact, contemporary STEM research and teaching. The reconfiguration to shared lab space will allow additional STEM research groups to simultaneously conduct research projects in the facility, generating millions in additional STEM research dollars annually.

**5. State Agency to receive requested funds**

**State Agency contacted?**  Yes

**6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2022-2023**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	18,573,597
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>18,573,597</b>

**7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	18,573,597	100%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023</b>	<b>18,573,597</b>	<b>100%</b>

**8. Has this project previously received state funding?**  No

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

**9. Is future funding likely to be requested?**  No

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.

**10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?**

Yes



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If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.

USF has received institutional COVID-19 assistance funding from the federal government but the funds we received did not go toward the funds for the USF Bio-Science Facility Research Labs (BSF) remodel.

#### 11. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Construction manager, independent third party estimator, basic construction cost (building cost, environmental impact, site preparation, electrical service), other project costs (professional fees, building and fire permit fees, inspection services, surveys and tests, project contingency).	18,573,597
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>18,573,597</b>

#### 12. Program Performance

**a. What specific purpose or goal will be achieved by the funds requested?**

This renovation and reconfiguration to the facility is necessary to increase both the research capacity and the expected lifespan of the building. The reconfiguration will convert 45 individual small labs into six 6,500 sq. ft shared labs, greatly increasing the capacity to conduct additional STEM/bio-science research.

**b. What activities and services will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?**

The project will support student success and employability by providing STEM research experiences for over 500 undergraduate students and additional research space for graduate science students.

**c. What direct services will be provided to citizens by the appropriation project?**

Additional opportunities for Florida students to pursue STEM bachelor's and graduate degrees and perform cutting edge research in the STEM fields.

**d. Who is the target population served by this project? How many individuals are expected to be served?**

Over 500 students.

**e. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome will be measured?**



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Improve physical health - the renovation will include a critical full HVAC System replacement. Presently there is a lack of consistent pressurization of the labs to maintain safe user operation. The HVAC replacement will improve air quality and reduce the risk of viral and environmental health hazards; Improve quality of education - the project will provide STEM research experiences for over 500 undergrad and graduate students. The facility is 30 years old and has never undergone a major renovation. The existing 45 individual research lab modules with 78 chemical fume hoods are small and are not suitable for the current high impact, team-oriented laboratory learning practices. The renovation will convert 45 individual small labs into 6,500 sq. ft. shared labs, greatly increasing the capacity to conduct research.

**f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for the contract?**

N/A

**13. The owners of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owners of the facility and the entity.**

The facility is owned by and managed by, the Board of Trustees of the University of South Florida in a manner identical to most other state-funded buildings on USF campuses.



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#### 14. Requestor Contact Information

a. First Name  Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number  Ext.

#### 15. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization

b. Municipality and County

#### c. Organization Type

- For Profit Entity
- Non Profit 501(c)(3)
- Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- Local Entity
- University or College
- Other (please specify)

d. First Name  Last Name

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number

#### 16. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number